SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 31, 2021, 5:30 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common and Zoom

Present: Selectboard members Richard Baker and Christopher Martin; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Visitors: Grace Vinson (CVRPC); Todd Eaton (VTrans)

At 5:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Rich Baker

Changes or additions to the agenda: insurance claim, basketball court, school street bridge

Public Comment: none

Minutes: The Board approved the minutes of the 8/17 and 8/25

Hazard Mitigation Plan: Rich moved to approve the plan. Chris seconded – all in favor. The Village Trustees will also need to approve it.

Speed Limits: VTrans has approved a change to the speed limit on Route 2 approaching Plainfield village.

Todd Eaton explained the process for changing the speed limits on town roads. He explained that the speed study is not the only factor to be considered when setting the speed limit; the Board should also consider the road features, and any information from the Road Crew.

Rich noted that the 85th percentile was 23 mph on Gilman St so he feels that it would make sense to lower the limit to 25 mph. Bunker Hill Circle had a result of 28; it is a highly dense area, residential with children and a daycare, with sharp corners and blind spots, with several blind curves in succession. The close proximity to the Hollister Hill Apartments with children there is another factor to consider.

The Board agreed to add Gilman St and Bunker Hill Circle at 25 mph to the ordinance.

Bridge on Upper Depot Rd: The Board received a letter from the State, indicating that the bridge is in need of repairs. Bobbi contacted VTrans and is waiting for more information.

Dog Complaints: The Animal Control Officers have reported that the fence installed by Vivian Davis is not adequate and doesn't meet the requirements of the Selectboard's order. They are working to resolve the issue with her. If she does not comply, the next step would be to contact the Town Attorney about getting a court order or injunction.

Old Schoolhouse Common: Regarding the painting of the bandstand, Bobbi will ask Robin Gomez if she wants to pick up the stain and brushes at Plainfield Hardware.

Maintenance: The Board discussed the possibilities for rehabbing the building. Dan Tetreault has agreed to stay on to do some maintenance projects over the winter. There may be grants available

for updating the building. The Board discussed whether this would be an eligible use of the ARPA funds.

Basketball: The court has been paved. The Board will have the portapotty removed to save money in the recreation budget, to have more money available for painting the court.

Executive Session: At 6:45, Rich moved to enter executive session to discuss possible litigation. Michele seconded – all in favor. The Board returned to open session at 6:50.

Grants In Aid: Rich moved to execute the grant agreement for FY 2022 and authorize him to sign. Michele seconded – all in favor.

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and approved reports for General Expenses and Payroll.

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the August 31, 2021 Selectboard Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

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